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SUBJECT: NEW SOVIET-SOMALI ECONOMIC AGREEMENT

1. SOVIET UNION AND SOMALIA SIGNED AGREEMENT IN MOGADISCIO ON JUNE 18 FOR FURTHER DEVELOPING ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION. NEW AGREEMENT CALLS FOR TOTAL OF 375 MILLION SO SHS (US \$60 MILLION) IN ADDITIONAL SOVIET ASSISTANCE.

2. ACCORDING TO DETAILS OF AGREEMENT PUBLICIZED IN SONNA NEWS BULLETIN OF JUNE 19, USSR WILL GIVE ASSISTANCE FOR REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT AND FISHING DEVELOPMENT. SONNA SAID THAT AGREEMENT WAS REACHED AS RESULT OF GENERAL SAMANTAR'S RECENT VISIT TO MOSCOW.

3. REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT: USSR WILL PROVIDE GRANT ASSISTANCE TO GSDR FOR RESETTLING SOMALI DROUGHT REFUGEES IN AGRICULTURAL AREAS IN SOUTH AND IN FISHING SETTLEMENTS ALONG COAST. ASSISTANCE IS IN FORM OF 130 RUSSIAN-BUILT TRUCKS FOR FUTURE DELIVERY. RESETTLEMENT ALSO INCLUDES LOAN OF
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SIX AN-12 TRANSPORT PLANES TO MOVE REFUGEES FROM CAMPS

TO NEW SETTLEMENTS. FYI: WE UNDERSTAND AT LEAST ONE
AN-12 HAS ALREADY ARRIVED IN SOMALIA AND THAT TRANSFER
OF REFUGEES WILL BEGIN WITHIN NEXT SEVERAL DAYS.

4. FISHING DEVELOPMENT: A. USSR WILL GIVE GRANT AID
TO HELP GSDR ESTABLISH FISHING COOPERATIVES. ASSISTANCE
WILL BE IN FORM OF FISHING BOATS AND GEAR, SMALL AUXILIARY
BOATS, VEHICLES AND BUILDING TIMBER. B. SOVIET TECHNICAL
ASSISTANCE WILL ALSO BE PROVIDED TO ESTABLISH "FOUR TO FIVE"
FISHING BASES IN SOMALIA, TO INCLUDE CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR
WORKSHOPS FOR FISHING VESSELS, AND TRAINING SCHOOL FOR
SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL.

5. SOVIET/SOMALI AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED BY SOMALI SECSTATE
FOR FISHERIES AND MARITIME OSMAN JAMA ALI AND SOVIET EMBASSY
COUNSELLOR FOR ECONOMIC COOPERATION KOPTEV.
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